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KIRK CALDWELL MAYOR



EMBER LEE SHINN MANAGING DIRECTOR

GEORGETTE T. DEEMER
DEPUTY MANAGING DIRECTOR

August 30, 2013

The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin, Chair and Members Honolulu City Council 530 South King Street, Room 202 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Martin and Councilmembers:

Pursuant to Section 13-103(b) of the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu, I hereby appoint, subject to confirmation by your Honorable Body, Chase T. Tajima as a member of the Real Property Tax Board of Review II. Mr. Tajima will succeed Diane S. Yoshida and serve for a term to expire on June 30, 2016. I would appreciate your favorable consideration of Mr. Tajima's appointment and request adoption by the City Council in the most expedient manner possible.

I have enclosed Mr. Tajima's personal information form for your review. For any general inquiries you may have regarding this appointment, please contact my executive assistant, Justin Gruenstein, at 768-6603.

Sincerely,

←Kirk Caldwell Mayor

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Chase T. Tajima

Department of Budget and Fiscal Services Real Property Tax Board of Review II

Ethics Commission

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU MAYOR APPOINTMENT / BOARD OR COMMISSION MEMBER NOMINATION FORM

1.	Position Nominated to: Real Property Tax Board of Review		
2.	Name: Chase Tomonari Tajima (First) (Middle) (Last)		
3.	Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes V No No		
	Are you a resident of the City and County of Honolulu? Yes \(\subseteq \) No \(\subseteq \) If yes, how long \(\frac{20 yrs}{} \).		
	Are you a registered voter in the City and County of Honolulu? Yes 🔽 No 🗀		
4.	Political affiliation (Civil Service Commission and Liquor Commission nominees only) N/A		
5.	Occupation: Attorney		
6.	Name and address of employer or firm: 745 Fort Street, Floor 9		
	Honolulu, Hawaii 96813		
7.	Does your employer do any business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes No If yes, state the nature of business and approximate dollar amount in the last five years:		
8.	Do you or does any member of your immediate family hold office or own stock in any firm? Yes No No		
9.	Does the firm do business with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes No If yes, provide details including the name(s) of the firm:		
10.	Do you have any part-time employment, professional activity, or financial interests other than those indicated in the previous question? Yes \(\subseteq \) No \(\subseteq \) If yes, provide details: Part-time wedding videographer		
11.	Do you foresee any possible conflict between your present work, financial investments, business transactions or any other activity which would be incompatible with the proper discharge of your official duties or hinder you from effectively carrying out the duties for which you have been appointed? Yes \(\subseteq \) No \(\subseteq \)		
12.	Are any members of your family employed by the City and County of Honolulu or any attached agency? Yes No No If yes, please specify the department and division:		
13.	Are there any incidents in your past that may jeopardize your nomination Yes No V		

14.	Have you ever been convicted of a felony? If yes, provide details: No.			
15.	Education: LLM in Taxation, Georgetown University Law Center			
	JD Loyola Law School			
	BS University of Southern California			
16.	Provide a summary of major work experience for the last ten (10) years. Begin with your present job including military (attach additional sheets if necessary or resume): Tax Associate, Chun Kerr LLP			
	Summer Clerk, United States Tax Court			
	Consultant, Protiviti			
17.	Community activities, etc. (also list any service on any other board or commission Federal, State or County): USDA Tox Section Real Property Section			
	HSBA Tax Section, Real Property Section			
	Volunteer, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, Low Income Tax Clinic			
18.	3. Have you ever been a member of a board or commission with the City and County of Honolulu? Yes No V If yes, provide name(s) of board/commission:			
19.	Will you be able to commit to the full term of this appointment? Yes ✓ No ☐			
20.). Will you be able to commit to meeting dates and times? Yes 📝 No 🔲			
21.	1. Are you regularly away from Honolulu? Yes No If yes, please explain:			
22.	Are you willing to make a confidential financial disclosure to the city Ethics Commission upon appointment and yearly thereafter? Yes No			
23.	What do you understand to be the prime duties of your county appointment? Hear real property tax appeals and adjudicate them on a fair basis in accordance with law			
	The above statements made by me are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.			
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	8-27-13			
	(Signature) (Date)			

The completed form and any attachment(s) will be posted by the City Clerk and available on the City's DocuShare Website.

CHASE TAJIMA

OBJECTIVE

To serve on the Honolulu Real Property Tax Board of Review.

EXPERIENCE

Jan. 2011 to Present Tax Associate, Chun Kerr LLP, Honolulu, Hawaii

· Guided client through real property tax appeal and tax compromise process;

· Advised clients re income, GET, fuel, estate, employment, and other taxes;

· Litigated state and federal tax controversies;

- Attorney for buyers and sellers on complex real estate transactions.

May 2010 to

Summer Clerk, United States Tax Court, Washington, District of Columbia

Aug. 2010

· Assisted Senior U.S. Tax Court Judge David Laro with adjudication of tax cases;

Legal research and briefing of judge on federal tax cases.

EDUCATION

Aug. 2009 to

L.L.M. in Taxation, Georgetown Univ. Law Center, Washington, District of Columbia

Feb. 2011

Graduated With Distinction; Dean's List

Aug. 2007 to

J.D., Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, California

June 2009

Dean's Honor List; First Honors in Income Tax and Ethical Lawyering

Aug. 2003 to

B.S., Univ. of Southern California, Marshall School of Business, Los Angeles, California

Dec. 2006

Minor in Political Science

COMMUNITY

Hawaii State Bar Association, Tax and Real Property Sections

Volunteer at Legal Aid Society of Hawaii - Low Income Taxpayer Clinic

Office of the City Clerk

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU STATE OF HAWAII

Certificate

I, Bernice Mau, City Clerk of the City and County of Honolulu, State of Hawaii do hereby certify that,

CHASE T. TAJIMA

a resident of the City and County of Honold	lu, State of Hawaii is a duly registered elector (voter) of the
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Precinct: 03 Re	epresentative District 26 , State of Hawaii
Affidavit No. 041-	4449 Registration Date: 03/01/04
Alfidavic No. 1041	A Registration Date: 05/01/04
Birth Date:	

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City and County of Honolulu to be affixed this 28 August 2013.

Signature of Elector

City Clerk City and County of Honolulu State of Hawaii